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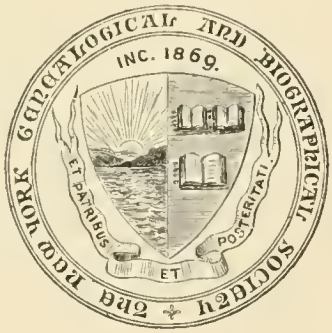

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The New York Genealogical and Biographical Society.

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

WE, the subscribers, hereby certify that we have associated ourselves, in pursuance of Title VII, Chapter XVIII, of Part I, of the Revised Statutes of the State of New York, for the purpose of promoting Genealogical and Biographical Science.

The name by which the Society is to be known is "THE NEW YORK GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY."

The particular business and objects of the Society are to discover, procure, preserve and perpetuate, whatever may relate to Genealogy and Biography, and more particularly to the genealogies and biographies of families, persons and citizens, associated and identified with the State of New York.

The number of Trustees to manage the same shall be nine; and the following are the names of the Trustees for the first year: Henry R. Stiles, M. D., David P. Holton, M. D., William Frederic Holcombe, M. D., Edward Chauncey Marshall, Seth Hastings Grant, Samuel Edward Stiles, Seymour Augustus Baker, D. D., Samuel Smith Purple, M. D., and Francis S. Hoffman.

The business of this Society is to be conducted and its place of business located in the City of New York.

HENRY R. STILES, M. D.	[L. S.]
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CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, *ss.*:

On this sixteenth day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, before me personally appeared Henry R. Stiles, M. D., David P. Holton, M. D., William Frederic Holcombe, M. D., Edward Chauncey Marshall, Seth Hastings Grant, Samuel Edward Stiles, Seymour Augustus Baker, D. D., and Samuel Smith Purple, M. D., to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the within certificate, and severally acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

A. OLDRIN SALTER,
Notary Public, New York City.

I approve of the within and allow the same to be recorded, March 25th, 1869.

JOSIAH SUTHERLAND,
Judge of Supreme Court.

STATE OF NEW YORK,
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, } *ss.:*

I, CHARLES E. LOEW, Clerk of the said City and County, and Clerk of the Supreme Court of said State for said County, do certify that I have compared the preceding with the original Certificate of Incorporation of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed my official seal, this 20th day of March, 1869.

[SEAL.]

CHARLES E. LOEW, *Clerk.*

STATE OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, }

This is to certify that the Certificate of Incorporation of the "New York Genealogical and Biographical Society," with acknowledgment thereto annexed, was received and filed in this office on the 26th day of March, 1869.

Witness my hand and seal of office of the Secretary of State at the City of Albany, this twenty-sixth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

[SEAL.]

D. WILLERS, JR.,
Dep. Secretary of State.

BY-LAWS

OF

The New York Genealogical and Biographical Society.

As Amended October 12, 1897.

I.—Name.

The name of this Society shall be "The New York Genealogical and Biographical Society."

II.—Objects.

The objects of this Society shall be "to discover, procure, preserve and perpetuate whatever may relate to Genealogy and Biography, and more particularly to the genealogies and biographies of families, persons and citizens associated and identified with the State of New York."

First.—By meetings for the transaction of business, the interchange of views, the reading of appropriate papers, and for discussion relative to genealogy, biography, and kindred subjects.

Second.—By the formation of a Library of Reference of such works on History, Genealogy, Biography, and kindred subjects, both in printed and manuscript form, as may in any way contribute to the purposes of the Society.

Third.—By correspondence with other societies of similar character, as well as with genealogists and local historians in this and other States of the Union, and in foreign countries.

Fourth.—By the publication and dissemination, in such form and manner, and at such times as the Executive Committee of this Society may deem best, of genealogical and biographical material and information.

III.—Members.

The Society shall consist of Resident, Corresponding, Honorary and Life Members: Resident Members shall be those paying annual dues as hereinafter provided.

Every person elected a Resident Member of the Society shall become such by signifying his acceptance to the Recording Secretary in writing, and paying his initiation fees and dues.

No person residing within one hundred miles of the City of New York shall be elected a Corresponding Member, and all Corresponding Members upon coming to reside within the said limit of one hundred miles of the City of New York shall cease to be a Corresponding Member and may become a Resident Member upon giving notice to the Recording Secretary and paying the initiation fee and dues as hereafter provided for Resident Members.

When the number of Corresponding Members shall equal the number of Resident and Life Members, new Corresponding Members shall thereafter only be elected to fill vacancies.

Resident Members upon removal beyond the said limit of one hundred miles from the City of New York, whose dues shall have been fully paid, shall, on giving notice thereof to the Recording Secretary, and expressing their desire in writing, become Corresponding Members—their claims taking precedence of all others—provided there exist any vacancies, otherwise they shall be Corresponding Members *ex-officio*, and shall succeed to the first vacancy among the Corresponding Members, in the order of their applications.

Any Resident Member may withdraw at any time by certifying his intention of so doing to the Recording Secretary in writing, and paying all dues to the Treasurer.

The Clerks of the several counties and townships of the State of New York shall be Corresponding Members *ex-officio*.

IV.—Fees and Dues.

Each Resident Member shall on admission pay to the Treasurer ten dollars as an initiation fee and dues for the current year, and five dollars annually thereafter in advance, as dues; and if he neglect or refuse to pay said dues for two years successively, he shall forfeit his membership, unless the Board of Trustees shall otherwise direct.

The annual dues shall be payable on the first day of January.

The payment of fifty dollars for that purpose, by himself or others, shall constitute any Resident, Corresponding or Honorary Member a Life Member of the Society, and said Life Member shall be free from assessments and entitled to all the rights and privileges of a Resident Member during his life.

The fees for Life Membership shall constitute a perpetual fund to be invested for building purposes by the Trustees; the annual interest of which may be used for current expenses. The principal of the fund to be appropriated for such building purposes only by a three-fourths vote of the Board of Trustees.

V.—Election of Members.

Members shall be elected as follows: The candidates shall be proposed publicly at a meeting of the Society, by a member thereof, and the nominations, together with the name of the member making them, shall be entered on the minutes, and be referred to the Executive Committee. The Reports of that Committee, recommending candidates for election, shall be openly read to the Society at a meeting subsequent to that at which the nominations were made; and if any member demand a ballot, the election shall be by ballot, and five black balls shall exclude. If no ballot be demanded, the candidates so recommended shall be declared duly elected members of the Society.

Corresponding or Honorary Members may, by a unanimous vote of the Board of Trustees, be elected without being proposed at a previous meeting.

Life Members may be elected in the same manner, and admitted to all

the privileges of Resident Members, on the payment of the fee required by Article IV.

All certificates of membership shall be signed by the President and the Recording Secretary.

VI.—Government.—Election of Trustees.

The government of the Society shall be vested in a Board of nine Trustees, to be chosen by the Society, as hereinafter provided, by ballot, on the second Friday of January in each year, of which election notice shall be given at least two days previous thereto in a newspaper published in the City of New York. The Board shall elect its own officers.

None but Resident and Life Members who have paid their dues to the Society shall be allowed to vote at any meeting of the Society, or hold the office of Trustee.

At the Annual Meeting of the Society, held on the second Friday of January in each year, there shall be elected three Trustees to fill the places of the Trustees whose term shall then expire, and who shall hold office for three years or until their successors shall be elected. Any Trustee appointed to fill a vacancy shall hold his office for the balance of the term of the Trustee to whose place he shall be so appointed.

In case any election for Trustees shall not be held at the time above appointed, such election may be held at the next regular meeting of the Society, or at any special meeting called for that purpose, in the manner hereinbefore mentioned; and the Trustees elected at such meeting shall hold their offices for the same terms as if they had been elected at the meeting at which such election should have taken place.

The Trustees shall have custody of all buildings, funds, securities, and collections belonging to the Society; shall fix all salaries to be paid to its officers; and shall have in their hands the entire control and regulation of its affairs, in the intervals between the Annual Meetings. They shall fill vacancies occurring in the Board during the year; and they shall meet for the election of officers and other business on the afternoon of the Tuesday immediately following the Annual Meeting of the Society and shall also meet on the afternoon of the second Tuesday of April, June and October in each year, and as much oftener as they shall deem necessary, or shall be called together by the President or any five members of the Board. The Trustees may declare the place of any member of the Board vacant who shall be absent from three successive meetings of the Board without sending a reasonable excuse therefor to the Recording Secretary.

VII.—Officers.

The Officers and Standing Committees of the Society shall be elected annually, on the Tuesday immediately following the Annual Meeting of the Society, from the Resident and Life Members of the Society, by the Board of Trustees; and may be from their own number. They shall be: a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Librarian, and a Registrar of Pedigrees;

An Executive Committee of four members;

A Publication Committee of five members; and

A Committee on Biographical Bibliography, of three members.

VIII.—Meetings.

The Society shall meet in the City of New York, in the afternoon or evening of the second Friday in each month, except June, July, August, and September, and at such other times as the Board of Trustees shall appoint. Special meetings may be called, under the direction of the President, or at the written request of seven members of the Society.

IX.—Order of Business.

The order of proceedings at the meetings, unless otherwise ordered, shall be:

1. Reading of the minutes of the last meeting.
2. Reports and communications from the officers of the Society; from the Executive Committee; Reports of Special Committees.
3. Election of members previously proposed.
4. Nomination of new members.
5. Transaction of miscellaneous business.
6. Papers read and addresses delivered.

The latter, when previously appointed, or any other special order, shall take precedence of any topic involving debate.

X.—Quorum.

Seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Society.

XI.—Presiding Officer.

The President, or in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents, or in their absence a Chairman *pro tempore*, shall preside at all meetings of the Trustees and of the Society, and shall have a casting vote. He shall preserve order, and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal. He shall also appoint all committees authorized by the Trustees or by the Society, unless otherwise specially ordered.

XII.—Corresponding Secretary.

The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the general correspondence of the Society. He shall, at every meeting of the Society, report such letters and communications as he may have received; he shall prepare all letters to be written in connection with the business or objects of the Society, and transmit the same; but the Executive Committee may appoint a committee to prepare a letter or letters, on any special occasion. He shall keep, in suitable books, to be provided for that purpose, true copies of all letters written on behalf of the Society, and shall carefully preserve said copies, with the originals of all letters and communications received, and shall deposit the same in the Library.

XIII.—Recording Secretary.

The Recording Secretary shall have the charge of the Seal, Charter, By-Laws and Records of the Trustees and the Society. He, together with the presiding officer, shall certify all acts of the Trustees and of the Society.

He shall notify all members of their election, and of such other matters as shall be directed by the Society or Trustees, and shall transmit to them their proper diplomas or certificates of membership. He shall give due notice of the time and place of all meetings of the Trustees and of the Society, and shall attend the same. He shall keep fair and accurate records of all the proceedings and orders of the Trustees and of the Society; and shall give notice to the several officers, and to the Executive and other Committees, of all votes, orders, resolves, and proceedings of the Trustees and of the Society, affecting them, or appertaining to their respective duties, and shall furnish a brief statement of the proceedings of the Society at its stated meetings to the Publication Committee to be printed in the periodical publication of the Society.

XIV.—Treasurer.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to have the care and custody of all moneys and securities of the Society He shall deposit the moneys in such bank or banks or other places of deposit as the Board of Trustees shall appoint, and he shall have authority to sign cheques, drafts or orders for the withdrawal of all moneys and securities. He shall make such disbursements as shall be authorized by the Board by general or specific action. He shall sign receipts for all moneys or other property coming into the hands of the Society, and shall keep or cause to be kept true and just accounts showing the receipts, disbursements and other financial affairs of the Society. He shall render a full and particular statement of his accounts, with vouchers, from time to time as the Board may request, and at each regular meeting of the Board he shall present a statement of his receipts and expenditures since the last meeting, and shall also make a report to the Society at the Annual Meeting.

XV.—Librarian.

The Librarian, in connection with the Executive Committee, shall have the charge and superintendence of the Library, and the care and arrangement of the books, manuscripts and other articles belonging to the Society. He shall cause to be prepared and kept a proper catalogue and list of the same. He shall acknowledge the receipt of donations to the Society in his department. He shall expend in the purchase of books and other articles, and for their safe-keeping and preservation, at the direction of the said Committee, such sums of money as shall from time to time be appropriated for that purpose, and report thereon to the Executive Committee, and to the Board at each of its regular meetings. He shall, at least once in each year, in the month of December, render his accounts for such purchases and expenditures to the Treasurer for settlement; and shall further make to the Society, at each Annual Meeting, a full report on the condition and progress of the Library and collections.

XVI.—Library Regulations.

The following shall be the regulations for the use of the Library:

1. No book or manuscript shall at any time be lent to any person to be removed from the Library, except for review in the periodical publication of the Society.

2. No manuscript in the Library, nor any paper read before the Society and deposited in its archives, shall be published, except by the order of the Trustees, or with the consent of the Executive Committee.

3. The hours during which the Library shall be open shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Trustees.

4. During such hours any member of the Society may have free access to consult any book or manuscript, except such as may be designated by the Executive Committee, and to make extracts from the same, under the authority of the Librarian. Any person not a member may obtain the like privilege of consultation for one month from the President or Librarian, if known to them, or upon the recommendation of some other member to whom the applicant is known. But no person, not a member, shall be permitted to make extracts from the manuscripts of the Society, excepting the donors or depositors of the same, without special authority from the Executive Committee.

5. It shall be the duty of the Librarian, or his assistant, to report to the Executive Committee any injury done to any book or manuscript by any person consulting the same; and the said Committee may, at their discretion, lay such reports before the Board. For any such injury, the person doing it shall make such pecuniary compensation as the said Committee shall judge proper; and if he be not a member, the Committee shall have power to prohibit him from further access to the Library.

6. The Librarian shall allow the Publication Committee to take to their offices or residences such books as they shall desire to review, under such regulations as the Board of Trustees shall from time to time prescribe.

7. Members of the Society and persons having the privilege of using the books in the Library will, in all cases, call on the Librarian or his assistant for such book as they may wish to consult, such book to be returned to the Librarian before the closing of the Library.

8. The names and residences of all persons who may be introduced to the Library shall be entered in a book to be kept by the Librarian and his assistant for that purpose, on each visit, with the name of the member by whom he may be introduced.

XVII.—Registrar of Pedigrees.

The Registrar of Pedigrees shall have the custody of all pedigrees presented by the members of the Society, and of additions thereto

He shall cause a copy of all such pedigrees, when accepted by the Society, to be entered in a book to be called the Register of Pedigrees, and shall certify the same; which Register shall be deposited with the Librarian, and shall be opened for the inspection of members only

The Registrar, with the President and Recording Secretary, shall sign all certificates of Pedigrees. He shall also certify all transcripts from the Register.

XVIII.—Executive Committee.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to collect and receive gifts for the Society; to provide for its literary or other exercises; to recommend plans, and make the necessary arrangements, for promoting

its objects; to digest and prepare business; to securely invest Life Membership and other special funds; to authorize the disbursement and expenditure of moneys in the Treasury, out of the general appropriations made by the Board of Trustees, for the payment of salaries, current expenses, fitting up the Library, the ordinary purchase of books, binding, printing, and other necessary outlays. They shall, in connection with the Librarian, have charge of the arrangement and regulation of the Library and collections; and shall have authority at any time to examine into the condition of the same, and into the state of the finances; as also generally to superintend the interests of the Society, and execute all such duties as may from time to time be committed to them by the Board.

They shall meet at least once in every month, excepting the months of June, July, August and September, immediately before the meeting of the Society, and at the same place, if no other be appointed, and shall keep accurate minutes of all their transactions, and appoint their own chairman and secretary.

XIX.—Publication Committee.

It shall be the duty of the Publication Committee to take charge of and manage the editing, printing and publishing of the quarterly magazine issued by the Society, known as the "New York Genealogical and Biographical Record," and all matters connected therewith, and also all books, pamphlets, and other matter printed or published by the Society.

XX.—Committee on Biographical Bibliography.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Biographical Bibliography to prepare, and continue by additions thereto, a catalogue or list of books and pamphlets containing biographies or biographical sketches of citizens of the State of New York, and to give a brief description of each such book or pamphlet and number the same so that it can be easily referred to.

XXI.—Alteration of By-Laws.

No alteration in the By-Laws of the Society shall be made, unless such alteration shall have been openly proposed at a previous meeting of the Trustees, entered on the minutes, with the name of the Trustee or Trustees proposing the same, and shall be adopted by a majority of the members of the Board. And in case of such proposed amendment, the Recording Secretary shall be required to accompany the notice for the next meeting of the Board with a copy of the proposed amendment, and a notice that the same will be acted upon at the meeting for which the notice was given.

Report of Treasurer.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 23 TO DECEMBER 31, 1897.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand January 23, 1897,	$704.83
Entrance Fees,	155.00
Life Membership,	50.00
Annual Dues,	1,130.00
Subscriptions to RECORD,	597.50
Sale of back numbers of RECORD,	321.74
Sale of Pedigree Charts,	64.75
Sale of "Dutch Church Marriages,"	45.00
S. Burhans, Jr., subscription for D. C. Baptisms in RECORD,	72.00
W. Watts Sherman subscription for Library Building,	100.00
Rents,	829.10
Interest,	610.81
	$4,680.73

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries,		$358.50
Coal and Wood,		195.20
Gas,		103.65
Postage,		89.39
Stationery,		67.19
Repairs,		41.68
Collation,		45.00
Sundries,		39.46
Furniture,		53.26
Coles Memorial Tablet and Bronze Society Seal,		150.00
Library Building Account,		240.00
Publication of RECORD,		1,024.63
Printing for acc't "Dutch Church Baptisms,"		25.00
Library,		125.81
Taxes and Insurance,		309.74
Interest,		537.50
On account Principal of Bond and Mortgage,		500.00
Cash on hand December 31, 1897:—		
In Manhattan Savings Institution,	$500.00	
In Bank of New Amsterdam,	265.72	765.72
		$4,680.73

Accounts examined and found correct.

January 10, 1898. ISAAC TOWNSEND SMITH,
Of the Executive Committee.

E. & O. E.,

B. W. PIERSON.
Treasurer.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

JANUARY 1, 1898.

ASSETS.

Value of Society House and Lot, based on cost,	$25,500.00
Improvements on same,	297.22
Value of Library Building and Stacks, based on cost,	3,800.00
Estimated Value of Books in Library,	5,000.00
Estimated Value of Furniture and Pictures,	616.26
Estimated Value of back numbers and volumes of RECORD,	5,000.00
110 copies Memorial Volume, @ .50,	55.00
17 copies "Dutch Church Marriages," @ $15,	255.00
112 copies Pedigree Charts, @ .75,	84.00
Members' Dues unpaid,	230.00
Loan on Bond and Mortgage, @ 5%,	12,000.00
Cash in Manhattan Savings Institution,	500.00
Cash in Bank of New Amsterdam,	265.72
	$53,612.20

LIABILITIES.

Bond and Mortgage on Society House, @ 5%,	$10,500.00	
Unpaid Bills,	314.97	$10,814.97

Balance, being equity in all property owned by the Society, - $42,797.23

B. W. PIERSON,
Treasurer.

Report of Secretary.

The New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, organized February 27, 1869, has had a struggle in years past, but is now established. This has been the work of no one man, or body of men, but the work of those who gave their time to the Library day after day, and, together with the impetus given to the study of family history by the Hereditary Societies, have materially aided in placing this Society where it is; but for these, our Society might have met in its little back room and read papers to itself forever, without influence or recognition.

The Library of this Society is its feature of value. Gathered little by little, it has become one of the best of its kind in the land; and we only need an officer or committee, who can supplement the work of the Librarian, in soliciting books, to make it equal to any, for we can offer to authors a review in the RECORD and to others a place in our CATALOGUE, both of which are valuable introductions to genealogical and historical students: for if such books are not on our shelves, one cannot escape the feeling, either that the book is valueless or that this Society is deficient in means or enterprise; authors had better send their book than await the decision of the community on that dilemma.

We did not add quite so many books this year as in some of its predecessors, since those who were able to be at the rooms have been occupied with other work of the Society. We hope next year to have more help, more shelf-room, and less sickness. We urge each member to obtain for the Library what he can, not circulars and diocesan reports merely, but genealogies, histories, biographies —in fact, anything with information to aid genealogical students.

It was easier to keep ahead of the masses, genealogically, thirty years ago than to-day, in this city. Then it was a subject some feared and others derided; now the entire community are interested, and a large percentage are

absorbed in it. Seekers for membership in any one of the fifteen or more Hereditary Societies come here to find out their pedigree, in order to establish their eligibility. Having satisfied their ambition, they often pay their fees into the other societies, purchase their badge, and are done with us. Their interest is personal to themselves: what we are after is the creation or cultivation of an interest in antiquarian subjects in general and universal genealogy: unselfish as the sunshine and broad as creation. We may be aided by the badge-winners, just as all genealogy is helped by seekers for coats of arms, but our support must be from the class who already know enough of their own family history to devote themselves to the subject as an interesting department of universal history.

We have had eight meetings during the year, at which papers have been read by Wm. Nelson, Esq., Col. Fred. D. Grant, Capt. James Parker, T. Astley Atkins, Esq., Gen. Egbert L. Viele, Col. Woolsey R. Hopkins, Dr. Theodore L. Cuyler, Dr. John R. Bailey, and Dr. Newland Maynard.

We have 306 members, of whom 72 are Life members, and pay no dues; some are behind, and every year our numbers are depleted by death and other causes. During the past year 3 have died and 17 resigned.

It is undignified, and should be unnecessary, to weary people into joining or to propose friends without their authorization for membership. We suffered by this practice in former years, but the last year only about half a dozen of those proposed failed to qualify. We have added 32, and they were introduced by fourteen members, to wit: Mr. Evans brought 3, Miss Akerly 2, Miss Fisher 2, Gen. Wilson 2, Dr. Eliot 1, Mr. Calkins 1, Mr. Coddington 1, Mr. Doty 1, Dr. Kalish 1, Mr. Lloyd 1, Mr. Lawrence 1, Mr. Mower 1, Mr. Pierson 1, and the Secretary 14.

We are owners of our own home, and collected $829.10 from rents; but at no time have all our rooms been rented, as our little hall is not adapted to the wants of many. The House Committee have considered the question of alterations, with a view to making it more roomy. This may be worth considering: at all events, we recognize the

fact that very often we ourselves would be glad of a larger assembly-room. In fact, the ownership of the building, besides being a satisfaction, has increased our receipts.

The general financial condition of the Society is shown, by the Treasurer's balance-sheet, to be five hundred and sixty odd dollars better than one year ago. Most of this sum having been paid on account of our mortgage debt, our interest in the future is diminished thereby.

The sale of Pedigree Charts has netted $64.75; but very few have been filed, although the offer still stands to replace with a new blank those which are filed, or, if preferred, to refund the cost upon filing.

The necrology of the Society, as well as the other subjects before alluded to, will be treated of at length by the appropriate officer. It is time that we had a biography of all deceased members at least. Lastly, our duplicates should be marked for sale and exchange. The list should be published in the RECORD, that they may be replaced in the Library by genealogies and local histories which we lack.

We have heretofore had a Building Fund. The building is an accomplished fact, and that fund might appropriately be transferred to the Library. We need a fund for the purchase of books. Another society in this city has a fund, for the purchase of genealogies, which should have come here; now, we should not be satisfied until we have the same. I propose that we begin to-night, and that the work go on forever.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

RICHARD H. GREENE,
Secretary.

Report of Publication Committee.

The Publication Committee of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society would respectfully report that: The RECORD has been published quarterly, as heretofore; and word comes to your Committee from many

directions that it is increasingly called for at all the libraries, until no historical society or library can afford to be without it; those who postpone its acquisition will regret their delay.

We agree to give forty-eight pages per quarter of historical and genealogical matter, which is, in the main, new to print and of general interest. In our last volume we exceeded our promises by one hundred pages, making two hundred and ninety-two pages in the volume, of which the index (without which the book would be useless to many) covers forty-one pages. Our binder has found that the covers heretofore used are too small for the present volume. Perhaps soon we can issue a volume that will stand alone, and not need to be bound with the next year.

For many years our publication was an expense, although both contributors and editors have always served the Society without pay, and the printing alone was a charge upon our funds; yet the limited number who are interested in our subjects makes our total clientage small, and of these the percentage of those who can or will pay anything for the support of a publication they can see at the libraries makes our subscription-list still smaller. Nevertheless, recently the demand for full sets and back numbers have supplemented the largely increased subscriptions and materially raised the returns.

The receipts from sales of back numbers this last year did not equal those of recent years, for the reason that certain numbers are out of print and the Society was not able to furnish complete sets; yet the sales of back numbers brought $321.74 during the year, the payments by subscribers in the same period being $597.50.

The publication of the Dutch Church marriages and baptisms—another part of our work, under the editorial management of Dr. Purple—brought from sales $45, against expense (additional to composition in the RECORD) of $25. By the liberal contribution of Mr. Samuel Burhans, Jr., we have been enabled to increase the amount of these Dutch Church Records, which have always been a feature of our publication.

The entire receipts have thus been $1,036.24 for the

Committee's work, and the expenses were $1,049.63, leaving a deficiency of $13.39, with part of one number unpaid.

Your Committee think the time has come to rearrange the prices of back numbers. Some are out of print and many are getting scarce. The reason of the difference is: some issues interest a large number outside of the regular subscribers; their purchases from the reserve in the course of time often equals or exceeds the number of the subscribers, and then exorbitant prices are demanded of those who must have these numbers to make up sets. The time is not far distant when all the numbers will command an increased price, and electrotype plates would save the expense of composition where reproduction is necessary.

Those of us who are conducting the correspondence of the Society and the RECORD have long felt that we are burdened with a name which might be shortened by two words without losing anything; for genealogy is but a succession of biographies, and every biography should give the parents and children of the subject—that is, three generations, which makes a genealogy. Therefore we submit that NEW YORK GENEALOGICAL RECORD would be a change for the better, and could be made without causing any complications, though the name of an incorporated society should not be changed unless the reasons are shown to be good and the rights will be unaffected or improved. The "New England Historical and Genealogical Register" has been changed; it was formerly backed "Genealogical and Antiquarian Register," and has never borne the exact name of the New England Historic Genealogical Society. In titles every word which can be spared without injury should be dispensed with. The RECORD is genealogical; the other matter which appears in it is not merely biography, it is more properly history—perhaps better designated as antiquarian, but either word would be surplusage.

Your Committee has increased the amount of family genealogy in the RECORD. There is some complaint that New England families appear more than New York families. Our answer is: we never refuse to print Dutch families when sent to us. The fact is, our membership is largely of New England extraction. But two of our nine

officers and one of our Board of Trustees can boast a Dutch patronymic; and of our Presidents, three have been of New England birth or ancestry, one of Huguenot descent, while the present incumbent is not a native of this country. Now is the time for the Knickerbockers to recruit the ranks of this Society, send their family histories to the RECORD, and actively assist in the work. We can assure them they will soon know that they are more than welcome.

We have felt that our members have never supported the RECORD as they should. The proportion has been, about twenty-five per cent. of the members were subscribers. In order to reach this class, where one would naturally look for supporters, a circular was sent (with a copy of the January number of the current volume) to every member not on our subscription-list. Thus far the subscription-list has not been increased as much as we anticipated from this appeal.

We should make an effort to secure proper paying advertisements for insertion in the RECORD. We think a Press and Printing Committee would be a useful addition to the work; they might include this. A revenue could be derived from advertisements; they are the main support of other periodicals. We should not be the only exception.

Your Committee would like to exchange with every publication desirable for our Library, and would recommend that the Executive Committee or a Special Committee be directed to accomplish this, or that a circular be prepared, that the Corresponding Secretary or this Committee might, with the least possible trouble, reach all such publications, both in our own land and beyond the sea.

The Committee negotiated exchanges of old RECORDS for genealogies and histories, valued at about one hundred dollars. This could be continued to advantage, for thereby we get books not otherwise obtainable, and place our RECORD with dealers in sufficient quantity to sell more and reach possible subscribers.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. H. GREENE,
Chairman.

Report of House Committee.

The House Committee takes pleasure in reporting that, so far as its jurisdiction is concerned, the Society is in a fairly prosperous condition. As will be seen by the Treasurer's report—a copy of which has been mailed to each member—the sum of $829.10 has been received during the year for the rental of rooms in the upper stories of the building. This, however, is not as large as it might be; we should get at least $1,000, if not $1,200, per annum. And it is hoped that the fourth floor—the whole of which is now unoccupied—may soon be rented.

Some necessary repairs to the building have cost $41.68, and the sum of $53.26 has been expended for furniture.

A reproduction in bronze of the seal of the Society has been placed on the front of the building, and a memorial tablet to our generous benefactress, Mrs. Elisabeth Underhill Coles, has been placed on the wall of the entrance hall at a cost of $150.

Our rooms, however, are greatly lacking in ornament; and the members are urged to contribute suitable pictures and works of art with which to beautify and adorn them.

Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS G. EVANS,
Chairman of House Committee.

Dated January 28, 1898.

Report of Librarian.

The history of our Library for the year just drawn to its close is a history of reconstruction rather than of marked progress. We paused, as it were, in the onward march toward a larger growth to rehouse ourselves and to rearrange our books, a process which required both time and labor; for, to gather up the scattered volumes which the movers had put down in any convenient place, then to

create order out of the chaos was not a small undertaking. So to-day we find our Library slowly but surely approaching a condition of perfect arrangement, and we pause again, but for a moment, to view with critical eye the Genealogical monument which we have erected.

There are on our shelves to-day 3,597 bound volumes, besides nearly double that number of pamphlets of all sizes and on all subjects. Of these bound volumes 520 are Genealogical, 367 Biographical, and the remainder, 2,710, are Local Histories and Miscellaneous. These are bare facts and bald figures, but they represent the generosity of many donors and the personal efforts of former Librarians. Of this number 248 have been added during the past year, embracing 45 Genealogies, 41 Biographies, 33 Local Histories and 129 Miscellaneous. These, too, are bare facts and bald figures, but they represent the donations of 83 generous people and of those who sent us books for review.

These accessions, though not especially large in quantity, are valuable in quality, and include: "The Seton Family;" "The Richmond Family;" The Parish and Ludlam Genealogies; "The Ten Broeck Genealogy;" Histories of Fitchburg, Mass., Montville, Ct., N. and S. Hempstead, L. I., and the Records of Coventry, Ct.—books ranging in value from $94 for the first to $6 for the last. These have all been obtained by contributions, either voluntary or solicited, with the exception of about 25 of the 248 which we have acquired by RECORD exchanges; not a dollar has been expended in the purchase of books.

Acquisitions by these methods alone are in the end unsatisfactory, for they bring not to our shelves some books which ours as a Genealogical Library ought to number among its volumes, but probably never will unless they are purchased. Let us brace up, then, these ways and means of exchange and donation with the support of a moderate fund specially designated for the purchase of books, and we shall then see our Genealogical monument grow to *graceful* and majestic proportions.

Aside from this, a large number of good duplicates are waiting the time when, with proper management, they may become a source of acquisition. These include many very

desirable works, and could be sold or exchanged to advantage; and if they were published in a list with prices extended, to be sent to all the libraries in the country, there is little doubt that they would cease to be a dusty pile on top of the stacks, becoming instead valuable additions on the shelves.

There is one other item which entails a regular expense that ought to be systematically met—book-binding. The method which prevails at present is the somewhat irregular one of sending to the binder, at odd times, whatever it is deemed necessary to have bound, when instead there should be set aside, per annum, a stated amount large enough to include the cost of binding all completed Genealogical periodicals as well as the more important of the single publications.

Concentrated energy and singleness of purpose are and should be the policy of the Library. We are a Genealogical Society, and the purpose is mainly Genealogical, as is shown by the fact that visitors ask invariably for works on family history or town records; for, strange as it may seem, there has not been a single demand during the past year for Biographical works of any kind. The concentrated energy, then, should be directed toward the acquisition of such books as demand calls for, even though "all is fish that comes to the net."

The Library is unquestionably the main feature of the Society. We use our meeting-hall but once a month, while the Library we use every day. This at present is badly and insufficiently heated; the approach over the iron bridge is a menace to health and a serious factor of discomfort. Let the singleness of purpose, then, for the present, be directed toward improving the Library; increase the heating capacity; cover the bridge approach; purchase the necessary books; tint the walls; give to the room the appearance of secluded comfort more pronounced than at present obtains. These things cannot be done in a minute, but taken in hand one at a time, and carried out with an eye to the useful and the attractive, will place the Library at the end of the year far beyond its present usefulness.

In conclusion let me add that the Library is open every Monday evening, when members, and visitors introduced by them, are cordially welcome.

Respectfully submitted.

H. CALKINS, JR.,
Librarian.

Dated January 28, 1898.

Report of Necrologist.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the N. Y. Genealogical and Biographical Society.

Gentlemen:

I herewith present my first annual report of duty performed, as your Necrologist, in the preparation for publication, in the Record, of obituary notices of deceased members of this Society.

Immediately upon my appointment to this office, June 8th, 1897, I prepared and had printed a circular letter (copy appended to this report) to be addressed to the surviving relatives of deceased members, and containing a series of questions of a biographical and genealogical nature calculated to draw forth such information as would enable me to present, in the pages of the Record, a brief but satisfactory *resume* of the life, character, and life-work of the deceased.

In the prosecution of this official duty I have already experienced some difficulty, due, partly, to the somewhat incomplete and confused state of our membership rolls, and also to the fact that, having been, for some years past, somewhat disassociated from the active work of the Society, I have not as intimate an acquaintance with its *personnel* as would keep me informed of deaths among our members. These disabilities, however, have been much lessened by a recent reconstruction of the membership lists, at the hands of our present Treasurer, as well as by the kindly assistance of individual members. The greatest difficulty, how-

ever, which I have experienced has been my inability to get any reply at all from the parties to whom my circulars have been addressed. The questions in the circular letter are certainly simple and explicit enough to call forth a prompt and proper response, and being addressed either to the surviving companion (husband or wife), or to the children, or to the business associates of the deceased, there seems to be no good reason why they should not be answered, especially as the circular bears a clear and definite statement as to the object for which the information is needed—an object which would seem to commend itself to the recipient.

It has, indeed, suggested itself to me that the best way to get at the facts asked for in this obituary circular would be to present a copy to each member, enclosed in the notification of his election to the Society, to be filled out and handed in with his initiation fee. True, this might seem a little premature—a little like the coffin placed as a *memento mori* at the Egyptian feasts; but we would, in this way, get the needed facts "at first hand," and, while always vital as matter of record, it would save delay and what perhaps might be felt as somewhat of an intrusion in the family's first hours of sorrow. Perhaps, then, your Honorable Board will officially sanction the conversion of this *post-obit* circular letter into an initiatory *prerequisite* to membership.

In the January (1898) number of the RECORD will be found the first practical results of the establishment of the office—of which I have the honor to be the first incumbent—in obituary notices of the following recently deceased members of the Society, viz.:

HERMAN BAETJER,
CHARLES W. CASS,
HENRY T. DROWNE (our fourth President),
REV. THOS. STAFFORD DROWNE, D. D.,
THOMAS HENRY EDSALL.

I earnestly entreat the co-operation of my fellow-members, in the carrying out of this necrological department, by favoring me with the name and address of family

of any deceased member, and of any items of information concerning him which may be known to them personally. It seems very desirable that our members should be honored at death in the pages of our RECORD, the official organ of the Society. Thus to "keep their memory green" is a duty which we owe not only to them and their families, but to our own self-respect as a Society.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY R. STILES,
Necrologist.

Dated January 14, 1898.

[COPY.]

NEW YORK GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY,

NO. 226 WEST 58TH STREET,

New York..... 189

Mr..... ... ...

Dear.....

In pursuance of my official duty as NECROLOGIST of this Society, of which the late.... ... .was a..... ....Member, I seek your assistance in obtaining such information, dates, etc., as will enable me to prepare for publication, in the Society's quarterly *Record*, a brief but comprehensive and accurate biographical notice of h.... As it is proper that such notice should appear at as early a date as is possible after h ...decease, I urge upon you the need of promptness and fullness in responding to my request, and in furnishing answers, to the best of your ability, to the following questions:

1. Date and places of h....*birth, marriage and death.*
2. Such of h....*ancestral history* as you can give; or references to books, or other printed or manuscript sources, where it may be found.
3. *Name and place of birth*, and *parents' and grandparents' name*, of h.....
4. *Names, place of births, deaths*, etc., of h ...*children.*
5. *Names and addresses of* h ...*surviving children.*
6. Facts of h. ..*connection with any public work or office;* church; society organizations (social, benevolent, patriotic, political, Masonic, etc., etc.), together with offices held or special duties performed in such.
7. Facts as to h ...*education;* dates of collegiate graduation, degrees received, etc.
8. *Titles of any books*, pamphlets or any literary works done by h....; with dates (year) of publication.
9. *Personal characteristics*, etc.
10. *Military services*, offices and honors.
11. *Names and addresses of two or three near relatives, or intimate friends*, to whom I may reasonably look for characterizations, reminiscences and opinions illustrative of the deceased.

☞ Any books, pamphlets, newspaper clippings, letters, etc., loaned to us in this connection for our use, will be carefully kept, considered confidential, and safely returned.

In the use of such material as may be furnished in reply to the above questions, I shall exercise the greatest care for truth and accuracy; and shall be willing to submit such notice, in proof, before publication, to the family of the deceased, for their comment and correction.

Trusting that my purpose may be fully comprehended and appreciated, and that I may hear from you at your earliest convenience, I remain

Yours sincerely,

HENRY R. STILES, M.D.,
Necrologist of the N. Y. Geneal. and Biog. Society.

Honorary Members.

Charles Andrews,	Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, N. Y.
Grover Cleveland,	Ex-President of the United States
Alonzo B. Cornell,	Ex-Governor of the State of New York
Melville W. Fuller,	Chief Justice of Supreme Court, U. S. A.
Benjamin Harrison,	Ex-President of the United States
Joseph Jackson Howard, LL.D., F.S.A.,	Blackheath, Kent County, Eng.
Oliver O. Howard,	Major-General, U. S. A.
Mrs. Julia Ward Howe,	Boston, Mass.
Charles John Palmer, F.S.A.,	Great Yarmouth, England
The Duke of Veragua,	Spain
Robert C. Winthrop, LL.D.,	Boston, Mass.
Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, D.D.,	Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Suckley, Robert B.,	Life	1896
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